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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

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Security Council

10 a.m. — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room GA-TSC-02

Programme of work

Other matters

Security Council

The President of the Security Council for the month of September 2012 (Germany) will provide a briefing for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council on the programme of work for the month, *today*, 5 September 2012, at 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

The President of the Security Council will also provide a briefing to the press on the programme of work for the month of September, *today*, 5 September 2012, at 12.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Delegations can view the press briefing from the United Nations Webcast.

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General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Informal interactive dialogue on the "Report of the Secretary-General on the responsibility to protect: Timely and decisive response" [1]

Opening segment

10 a.m. Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Panel discussion and interactive dialogue on the third pillar of the responsibility to protect: Timely and decisive response

10.45 a.m. Conference Room 4 (NLB)

3 p.m. Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Moderator:

Mr. Adama Dieng, Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide

Closing segment

5.45 p.m. Conference Room 4 (NLB)

[1] A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 30 August 2012, containing the information note and the programme, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

There will be an informal meeting of the plenary to mark the observance of the International Day against Nuclear Tests, on Thursday, 6 September 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 August 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The co-facilitators of the intergovernmental process on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system will hold an informal informal meeting on Thursday, 6 September 2012, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). A letter from the co-facilitators, dated 9 August 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

There will be an informal meeting of the plenary on the modalities of a world conference on indigenous peoples, on Friday, 7 September 2012, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Protocol and security announcement

A briefing for delegations regarding protocol, security and organizational arrangements for the high-level meeting and the general debate of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly (24 September–1 October 2012) will take place on Wednesday, 12 September 2012, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). *Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are urged to be represented at the briefing.*

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

General debate
(25–28 September and 1 October 2012)

The provisional list of speakers No. 1 for the general debate of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (rooms IN-0613 and NLB-1033). The list of speakers has also been sent directly to the permanent missions (Office of the Permanent Representative).

Delegations are kindly reminded that, in accordance with existing practice at the sessions of the General Assembly, a voluntary 15-minute time limit should be observed during the general debate. The list of speakers was prepared on the basis of this 15-minute time limit statement by each delegation. In order to help the speakers to follow with the time for their statement, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum.

Delegations may wish to inform their capital on this procedure.

Programme of work and agenda

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September. The provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/150, and annotations can be found in document A/67/100. A draft programme of work of the plenary for the sixty-seventh session is contained in document A/66/861, Section II.

Seating protocol

On Friday, 8 June 2012, the Secretary-General drew from among the Member States the name of Jamaica to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the sixty-seventh session. Consequently, the delegation of Jamaica will sit at the first desk at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

General Assembly

Committee on Conferences

Substantive session

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	520th meeting	Conference Room 6 (NLB)
3 p.m.	521st meeting	Conference Room 5 (NLB)
Afternoon[1]	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5 (NLB)
	Agenda (A/AC.172/2012/1)	
	[Reports for consideration by the Committee are contained in the following documents: A/67/127, A/AC.172/2012/L.2 and A/AC.172/2012/CRP.1.]	
	[In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32, and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32, non-members who wish to participate as observers in the substantive session are invited to send a request in writing to Ms. Cristina Schulz-Langendorf, Deputy Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail schulz-langendorf@un.org).]	

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 521st meeting.

United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

8.30–9.30 a.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5 (NLB)
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	9th meeting	Conference Room 1 (NLB)
1.30–2.30 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7 (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	10th meeting	Conference Room 1 (NLB)
	[Delegations are kindly requested to submit, to the Secretary-General of the Conference, their credentials *as soon as possible*. The credentials must be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Conference.]	
	[For further information on the Conference, please visit <www.poa-iss.org/RevCon2/>. To consult the list of side events, please *click here*.]	

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Second regular session 2012

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	3rd meeting	Conference Room 3 (NLB)
	UNDP segment	
	Statement by the Administrator	
	Financial, budgetary and administrative matters	[2]
	Annual review of the financial situation, 2011 (DP/2012/17)	
	Detailed information relating to the annual review of the financial situation 2011 (DP/2012/17/Add.1)	
3–6 p.m.	4th meeting	Conference Room 3 (NLB)
	UNDP segment (continued)	
	Programming arrangements	[11]
	Review of programming arrangements, 2008-2013 (decision 2012/1)	
1.15–2.45 p.m.		Conference Room 3 (NLB)
	Joint UNDP/UNPA/UNOPS informal consultation on procurement	

[The Western European and Other States Group will meet *daily* at 9 a.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).]

General Assembly

South-South cooperation for development

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation

Working Group

The Chair of the Working Group of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation, Ms. Alison Chartres (Australia), will hold informal informal consultations on the draft decision contained in document SSC/17/L.6, *today*, 5 September 2012, at *11.30 a.m.* in Conference Room A (NLB).

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 5 September 2012

Group of 77 (on the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation)

9–10 a.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room B (NLB)

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the expert level)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B (NLB)

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp>.

Wednesday, 5 September 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

11 a.m. United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) [*Guests*: Mr. Munyaradzi Chenje, Officer-in-Charge, UNEP (New York); Ms. Rachel Massey, Lead Author; and Ms. Valerie Denney, Communications Director, International POPs Elimination Network (IPEN)] (to launch the *Global Chemicals Outlook*)

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesperson

12.30 p.m. H.E. Mr. Peter Wittig (Germany), President of the Security Council for the month of September (on the programme of work of the Council for the month)

3.30 p.m. Press conference entitled "Peace is still possible within the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Rwanda" [*Speakers*: Monseigneur Pierre Marini Bodho; Président de l'Église du Christ au Congo; Monseigneur Dieudonné Mbaya Tshiakany, Modérateur National de l'Église du Christ au Congo; Révérend Elebe Kapalay, Représentant légal Suppléant de l'Église Kimbaguiste; Madame Cécile Tshibanda Lepira, Déléguée des Religions pour la Paix; Madame Chantal Malamba, Caucus des Femmes Congolaises; and Madame Madeleine Ngwang] [sponsored by the Permanent Mission of the Democratic Republic of the Congo]

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of States Parties
Fifth session

The Secretary-General has the honour to inform Member States that the fifth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will take in Conference Room 4 (NLB), on Wednesday, 12, and Thursday, 13 September 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and on Friday, 14 September, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The provisional agenda is contained in document CRPD/CSP/2012/1.

Quorum

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are 119 States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is 80 States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

Credentials

The credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be brought or sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org; room DC2-1314).

Accessibility

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the accessibility requirements of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For further information concerning the Conference of States Parties, please contact Mr. Guozhong Zhang, secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org); or *click here*.

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Meeting of States Parties
Thirty-second meeting

The thirty-second meeting of States Parties will take place on Thursday, 6 September 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The purpose of this meeting is to elect nine members of the Human Rights Committee to replace those whose mandates expire on 31 December 2012. The documents for the meeting are CCPR/SP/80, CCPR/SP/81, CCPR/SP/81/Add.1, CCPR/SP/81/Add.2 and CCPR/SP/81/Add.3. For the latest list of candidates and other information, please visit the following Web site: <http://www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrc/elections32nd.htm>.

Quorum

Pursuant to article 30, paragraph 4 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-thirds of the 167 States Parties to the Covenant, that is to say 112 States Parties. To avoid the meeting being substantially delayed or postponed, representatives of States Parties should be present at the scheduled time of the meeting.

Credentials

In accordance with rule 2 of the revised rules of procedures of the Meeting of the States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State

or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the meeting. The credentials may be brought to the conference room on the day or sent in advance to the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (c/o Ms. Sheilah Trotta, room DC1-0511D).

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Sixth session

Liberia configuration

An informal meeting of the Liberia configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Friday, 7 September 2012, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council
Special Ministerial Meeting

The Economic and Social Council will hold a Special Ministerial Meeting on Monday, 24 September 2012, from 3 to 7.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), on steps that are needed for a strengthened and more effective multilateral system for sustainable development. To consult the proposed programme and concept note for the Meeting, please *click here*.

Members and observers of the Economic and Social Council are requested to provide, *in writing*, as soon as possible, the composition of their delegation to the secretariat of the Council (e-mail syyap@un.org; room IN-0617; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; with a copy to e-mail pierre52@un.org), indicating clearly the head and alternate head of delegation, as they should appear in the official list of participants.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Second regular session 2012

The second regular session 2012 of the Executive Board of UNICEF will take place from Tuesday, 11, to Friday, 14 September 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/15.

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available on the following Web site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_65200.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; fax 1 (212) 326-7096), *no later than Friday, 7 September 2012.*

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

[The upcoming second regular session 2012 will be the first paper-smart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hard copies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the Executive Board Web site.

A printing-on-demand service will be made available to members of the Board upon request with a dedicated desk set up for this at the back of the conference room. Delegates who also wish to receive hard copies of documentation in advance of the session may do so by contacting directly the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)).

All session documents will continue to be available on the existing "Documents" Web page, as per established practice. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board home page will provide a link to a new "In-session" Web page that will make available all supporting documentation (PowerPoint presentations, statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (c/o Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will be embargoed until they are delivered, and then posted to the new "In-session" Web page on the UNICEF Executive Board Web site.]

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on a draft follow-up resolution entitled "Strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution" (under agenda item 34 (a)) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Turkey, on behalf of the Group of Friends of Mediation)

Thursday, 6 September 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Zone of Peace and Cooperation of the South Atlantic (ZPCSA) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Uruguay)

Thursday, 6 September 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) (meeting of the New York Committee)

Monday, 10 September 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room A (NLB)*.

Forthcoming other activities

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UNITAR seminar on "The reintegration of labour migrants" (organized in cooperation with the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the MacArthur Foundation)

Thursday, 6 September 2012, from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Briefing on "The high-level event on 'Women's access to justice', to be held on 24 September 2012 on the occasion of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the rule of law" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and South Africa and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Friday, 7 September 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Jane Anttila, Permanent Mission of Finland (e-mail jane.anttila@formin.fi; tel. 1 (646) 763-6781).]

Briefing on "Every Woman Every Child movement" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Nigeria and Thailand)

Monday, 10 September 2012, from 1.15 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[Members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions, United Nations staff and representatives of accredited non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Chonvipat Changtrakul, Permanent Mission of Thailand (e-mail chonvipatc@hotmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 754-2230, ext. 152).]

Dialogue between the President of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly and civil society (organized by the Office of President of the General Assembly, in collaboration with the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS), the NGO Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the NGO Section, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Monday, 10 September 2012, from 3.30 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or associated with DPI are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Hanifa Mezoui, Office of the President of the General Assembly (e-mail mezouih@un.org).]

UNITAR general briefing for new delegates on the work of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly

Wednesday, 12 September 2012, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB);

Thursday, 13 September 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB); and

Friday, 14 September 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[The briefing is open to members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Prayer service on the occasion of the opening of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly (co-organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See and the Archdiocese of New York)

Monday, 17 September 2012, at 6 p.m., at the Church of the Holy Family (315 East 47th Street).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail event@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885).]

Training session on "Using the *Yearbook of the United Nations* online" (co-organized by the Publications and Editorial Cluster, the Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI) and the Dag Hammarskjöld Library)

Thursday, 20 September 2012, from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Training Room (DC2-1142).

[Members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions and United Nations staff are invited to attend. To register for the session, please contact the Dag Hammarskjöld Library (e-mail librarytraining@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5321). For further information concerning the session, please contact Mr. John R. Sebesta, Yearbook Unit (e-mail sebesta@un.org).]

High-level event on sustainable energy for all (organized by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Monday, 24 September 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[Members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions, United Nations staff and representatives of accredited non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers and for further information please contact Mr. Jonas von Freiesleben, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail freiesleben@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1660). Information on the initiative, including the Secretary-General's Vision Statement and Action Agenda document, can be found at <www.un.org/en/sefa> or <www.sustainableenergyforall.org>.]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

General Assembly documentation (new)

Thursday, 6 September 2012 *(English)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Friday, 7 September 2012 *(English)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Thursday, 13 September 2012 *(Spanish)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon);

Friday, 14 September 2012 *(French)* (10 a.m. to 12 noon); and

Wednesday, 19 September 2012 *(English)* (2.30 to 4.30 p.m.).

Introduction to United Nations documents

Tuesday, 11 September 2012 *(Spanish)* (from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.); and

Wednesday, 12 September 2012 *(French)* (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon).

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered.

The second round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in October 2012, in Conference Room E (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, 16 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

Tuesday, 16 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*

Wednesday, 17 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

Wednesday, 17 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*

Thursday, 18 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

Thursday, 18 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand

The Regional Courses in International Law (RCIL) provide high-quality training by leading scholars and practitioners on a broad range of core subjects of international law, as well as specific subjects of particular interest to developing countries in a given region. The Regional Courses also provide an opportunity for the participants to focus on contemporary issues of international law in the region with a view to promoting greater understanding and cooperation on such issues.

The Regional Course in International Law for Asia-Pacific Group is scheduled to be held in Thailand in November 2012. The participants for this Regional Course have been selected from the following Members States of the Asia-Pacific Group: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Nepal, Oman, Philippines, Qatar, Samoa, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga, Tuvalu and Viet Nam.

The Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs is seeking contributions from Member States for the Regional Courses. For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6971).

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a

meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 4 September 2012

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

126th plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/66/668/Add.14) [138]

The General Assembly took note that Yemen had made the necessary payment to reduce its arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter (A/66/668/Add.14).

Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: Election of members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (A/66/873) [114 (e)]

The General Assembly declared Croatia elected a member of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law for a term of office beginning on the first day

of the forty-fifth session of the Commission in June 2012 and expiring on the last day prior to the beginning of the forty-ninth session of the Commission in 2016.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 114.

Prevention of armed conflict: Report of the Secretary-General (A/66/889) [34]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 34.

The President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The General Assembly decided, without setting a precedent, to invite the Joint Special Representative of the United Nations and the League of Arab States, H.E. Mr. Lakhdar Brahimi, to make a statement at the meeting.

The Joint Special Representative of the United Nations and the League of Arab States made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Brazil, Israel, India, Algeria, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Pakistan and Canada.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Lebanon and Israel.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 34.

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed that following the election of the Chairs of the Main Committees of the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session, the General Committee of the General Assembly for its sixty-seventh session had been fully constituted.

Main Committees

First Committee

25th meeting

The Chair of the Committee, H.E. Mr. Jarmo Viinanen (Finland), opened the meeting.

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: Election of the Chair and the Bureau of the First Committee at the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly [5]

The Committee elected, by acclamation, H.E. Mr. Desra Percaya (Indonesia) as Chair of the Committee for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly, and Mr. Dovydas Špokauskas (Lithuania) and Mr. Alexis Aquino (Peru) as Vice-Chairs.

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Knut Lageland (Norway) as its Rapporteur.

The election of the Vice-Chair from the Group of African States was postponed to a later date.

The Chair-elect made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its work for the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

24th meeting

The Acting Chair of Committee, Mr. Jim Kelly (Ireland), opened the meeting.

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: Eelection of the Chair and the Bureau of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) at the sixty-seventh session of the General [5]

The Committee elected, by acclamation, H.E. Mr. Nelson Messone (Gabon) as Chair of the Committee for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

The Chair-elect made a statement.

The Committee also elected, by acclamation, Mrs. Maratee Nalita Andamo (Thailand), Ms. Ayesha Borland (Belize) and Mr. Dimitrios Felopoulos (Greece) as its Vice-Chairs, and Mr. Zulfi Ismaili (The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia) as its Rapporteur.

Second Committee

41st meeting

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: Election of the Chair and the Bureau of the Second Committee at the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly [5]

The Chair of the Committee, H.E. Mr. Abulkalam Abdul Momen (Bangladesh), opened the meeting.

Following a statement by the Chair, the Committee elected, by acclamation, H.E. Mr. George Wilfred Talbot (Guyana) as Chair of the Committee for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

A statement was made by the Chair-elect.

The Committee also elected, by acclamation, Mr. Stefano Stefanile (Italy) and Mr. Tauhedul Islam (Bangladesh) as Vice-Chairs, and Ms. Aida Hodzic (Bosnia and Herzegovina) as Rapporteur of the Committee, for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

The election of the Vice-Chair from the Group of African States was postponed to a later date.

The Committee thus concluded its work for the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

Third Committee

51st meeting

The Chair of the Committee, H.E. Mr. Dato' Hussein Haniff (Malaysia), opened the meeting.

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: Election of the Chair and the Bureau of the Third Committee at the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly [5]

The Committee elected, by acclamation, H.E. Mr. Henry L. Mac-Donald (Surname) as Chair of the Committee for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

The Chair-elect made a statement.

The Committee was informed that the election of its Vice-Chairs and Rapporteur for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly would be held at a later date.

The Committee thus concluded its work for the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

Fifth Committee

39th meeting

The Chair of the Committee, H.E. Mr. Michel Tommo Monthe (Cameroon), opened the meeting.

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: Election of the Chair and the Bureau of the Fifth Committee at the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly [5]

The Committee elected, by acclamation, H.E. Mr. Miguel Berger (Germany) as Chair of the Committee for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

The Chair-elect made a statement.

The Committee also elected, by acclamation, Mr. João Augusto Costa Vargas (Brazil), Ms. Anna Reich (Hungary) and Mr. Bilal Taher Muhammad Wilson (Saudi Arabia) as Vice-Chairs, and Mr. Justin Kisoka (United Republic of Tanzania) as Rapporteur of the Committee for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

The Committee thus concluded its work for the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

Sixth Committee

31st meeting

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: Election of the Chair and the Bureau of the Sixth Committee at the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly [5]

The Chair of the Committee, H.E. Mr. Hernán Salinas Burgos (Chile), opened the meeting.

The Committee elected, by acclamation, H.E. Mr. Yuriy Sergeyev (Ukraine) as Chair of the Committee for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

The Chair-elect made a statement.

The Committee also elected, by acclamation, Mr. Martin Huth (Germany), Mr. Gonzalo Bonifaz (Peru) and Mr. Ismail Chekkori (Morocco) as Vice-Chairs of the Committee for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

The Chair announced that the Rapporteur would be elected at a later date.

The Committee thus concluded its work for the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

General Assembly

Committee on Conferences

Substantive session

518th meeting

The 2012 substantive session of the Committee on Conferences was opened by the Chair.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

The Committee adopted the agenda and programme of work for the 2012 substantive session, as contained in document A/AC.172/2012/1.

The Acting Head, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, made a statement and introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences (A/67/127).

Statements were made by the representatives of Austria and Côte d'Ivoire, and by the observer for Cuba.

Calendar of conferences and meetings [2]

(a) Requests for exceptions to section I, paragraph 7, of General Assembly resolution 40/243

(b) Adoption of the draft revised calendar of conferences and meetings for 2013 (A/AC.172/2012/L.2)

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Cote d'Ivoire, France, the Philippines and Panama, and by the observer for Cuba.

(c) Intersessional departures for 2012

The representatives of the Secretariat answered questions from the floor.

Meetings management [3]

(a) Utilization of conference-servicing resources and facilities

(i) Meeting statistics of United Nations organs and consultations with bodies concerning utilization of the conference-servicing resources

A statement was made by the observer for Cuba.

(ii) Provision of interpretation services to meetings of bodies entitle to meet "as required"

(iii) Provision of interpretation services to meetings of regional and other major groupings of Member States

Statements were made by the representatives of France and Côte d'Ivoire.

(iv) Utilization of conference facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi

(v) Utilization of the conference centre at the Economic Commission for Africa

Statements were made by the representatives of Côte d'Ivoire, Ehiopia, Nigeria and the Philippines.

(b) Impact of the capital master plan, strategy IV (phased approach), on meetings held at Headquarters during its implementation

Statements were made by the representatives of Côte d'Ivoire and the Philippines.

The representatives of the Secretariat answered questions from the floor.

Integrated global management [4]

Statements were made by the representative of France, Côte d'Ivoire, the Russian Federation, Nigeria and the Philippines, and by the observer for Cuba.

The representatives of the Secretariat answered questions from the floor.

519th meeting *Documentation and publication-related matters* [5]

Statements were made by the representatives of France, Côte d'Ivoire, the Russian Federation and the Philippines, and by the observer for Cuba.

The representatives of the Secretariat answered questions from the floor.

Translation and interpretation-related matters [6]

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, China, France and Japan, and by the observer for the International Organization for la Francophonie.

The representatives of the Secretariat answered questions from the floor.

United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

7th meeting

The Secretary-General of the Conference made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Algeria, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Norway, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Iraq, the United States, the European Union, Cuba, New Zealand, Germany, Mexico, the Syrian Arab Republic, Belize, Brazil, Pakistan, India, Egypt, Switzerland, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Colombia, Austria, South Africa, Belgium, Côte d'Ivoire and Trinidad and Tobago.

The Facilitator of the Conference made a statement.

8th meeting

Statements were made by the representative of the European Union, Mexico, Egypt, Norway, Australia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Algeria, the Syrian Arab Republic, Switzerland, India, Zimbabwe, Botswana, Belize, New Zealand, Iraq, Nigeria, Brazil, Germany, Ghana, Mali, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Holy See, Denmark, the Netherlands, Iceland, Trinidad and Tobago, Pakistan, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the United States

The Facilitator of the Conference made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context. Kiev, 21 May 2003

Approval: Portugal (4 September 2012)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

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African States:
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H.E. Mr. Herménégilde Niyonzima

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Mrs. Sewa Lamsal Adhikari
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Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mr. Ranko Vilović

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Mexico
H.E. Mr. Luis-Alfonso de Alba

Western European and other States:
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H.E. Mr. Gary Francis Quinlan

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